

## **“What Does the God of this World Say about the god of this world: the god of Sex?”**

“Many people assume the Bible has just one message about sex: Don’t do it.”

-Peggy Fletcher Stack, “What They Didn’t Teach You About Sex in Sunday School”

- 1) Sex was God’s idea not ours! (Gen. 1:28)
- 2) God made us as sexual creatures. (Gen 1:26,27)
  - Gender identity is part of God’s created order.
  - Sin has short-circuited gender identity both genetically and socially. All humans struggle in different ways and with different intensity to be what God created them to be.
- 3) Sex is God’s good gift to be enjoyed between a man and a woman within the covenant of marriage between a man and a woman (Gen. 2:24-25). Thus premarital sex, extramarital sex, and unnatural sex is sinful and wrong.
- 4) Sex within marriage is for the purposes of:
  - a) Procreation (Gen. 1:28; 4:1)
  - b) Partnership (Gen. 2:24; 24:67)
  - c) Pleasure (Prov. 5:15-19; Song of Solomon [the whole book!])
  - d) Protection (Prov. 5:20; I Cor. 6:18; 7:2-5)
  - e) Portrait (Eph. 5:22-33)
- 5) Remember that men are moved by what they see and ladies are moved by what they feel (Song of Solomon 4:1-5:1).
  - Men must flee the pitfall of pornography.
  - Women must not be seduced by the winsomeness of words.
    - Be sensitive to what you watch and what you wear.
- 6) God calls the follower of Jesus not just to abstinence, but to purity, both in thought and action (Matt. 5:27-30).
- 7) Sex is a powerful passion that can override both the mind and will. It must be handled with great care.
  - a) Guard your thought life (Prov. 23:7; Rom. 12:2).
  - b) Guard your eyes (Job. 31:1; Prov. 20:12).
  - c) Watch your hands, your pelvic area and your mouth (I Cor. 6:18).
  - d) Never be alone with someone of the opposite sex. Always make sure there are people around.
  - e) Never do anything you would not be willing to do in a room full of people.
  - f) Never do what you would not want done to and with your future mate.

8) Follow God's guidelines for good decision-making and the "Gray" areas of life.

**Paul's Corinthian Principles**  
**I Corinthians 6:12-11:1**

1. Will this action edify self? (6:12)  
*Will it build me up? Profit me? Help me personally?*
2. Will this action enslave my soul? (6:12)  
*Can it bring me into emotional/psychological (even chemical) bondage?*
3. Will this action exalt the Savior? (10:31)  
*Can I glorify my Lord in this activity?*
4. Will this action encourage other saints? (8:13)  
*Is this a potential stumbling block to someone else?*
5. Will this action evangelize sinners? (9:19-22; 10:32-33)  
*Will this help or harm my witness for Christ?*
6. Will this action be an example of my Savior? (11:1)  
*Is this something I could see Jesus doing?*

9) Remember the myth of "safe sex" is just that: a myth. No sex is safe, though married sex can be safe, fruitful, beautiful, and an act of worship before God.

10) Remember that the wrong person + the wrong time + the wrong place = the wrong thing happening.

**Questions Every Teen Wants Answered!!!**

- What about masturbation?
- What about petting?
- What about oral sex or anything short of intercourse?
- What about hooking up, dating, courting, and the whole confusing scene?

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